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The House met at 12:30 p.m. and was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Ms. HIRONO).

DESIGNATION OF SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Speaker:

Washington, DC, May 24, 2010.

I hereby appoint the Honorable MAZIE K. HIRONO to act as Speaker pro tempore on this day.

 $\begin{array}{c} {\rm Nancy\ Pelosi,} \\ {\it Speaker\ of\ the\ House\ of\ Representatives} \end{array}$

MORNING-HOUR DEBATE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to the order of the House of January 6, 2009, the Chair will now recognize Members from lists submitted by the majority and minority leaders for morning-hour debate.

The Chair will alternate recognition between the parties, with each party limited to 30 minutes and each Member, other than the majority and minority leaders and the minority whip, limited to 5 minutes.

RECESS

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 12(a) of rule I, the Chair declares the House in recess until 2 p.m. today.

Accordingly (at 12 o'clock and 31 minutes p.m.), the House stood in recess until 2 p.m.

□ 1400

AFTER RECESS

The recess having expired, the House was called to order by the Speaker protempore (Ms. ROYBAL-ALLARD) at 2 p.m.

PRAYER

The Chaplain, the Reverend Daniel P. Coughlin, offered the following prayer: Lord God, help us in our weakness.

Send forth Your Spirit, for we do not know how to pray for what we really need.

Your spirit within us will make intercessions through groanings and longings that cannot always be expressed in speech.

Because You alone search human hearts, You know how easily we are distracted or drawn toward false desires. Help us to find what is truly meaningful by seeking to do Your holy will

Show us how we can follow Your inspiration and accomplish what You want us to do, both now and for ages to come.

Amen.

THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair has examined the Journal of the last day's proceedings and announces to the House her approval thereof.

Pursuant to clause 1, rule I, the Journal stands approved.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Will the gentlewoman from California (Mrs. NAPOLITANO) come forward and lead the House in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mrs. NAPOLITANO led the Pledge of Allegiance as follows:

I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

YOUCUT

(Mr. WILSON of South Carolina asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. WILSON of South Carolina. Madam Speaker, it is clear the American people are tired of business as usual in Washington, particularly when it comes to out-of-control spending. The images of the riots in Greece caused in part by overspending that led to an economic collapse should concern every single American. Between the \$1 trillion government health care takeover, the \$789 billion so-called stimulus, and the bankrupt cash-forclunkers programs, America could be headed down the same path.

There is clearly no better time to get serious about the spending spree in Washington. I applaud Republican Whip ERIC CANTOR for launching YouCut, an easy, interactive way for all Americans to vote, both online and via cell phone on spending cuts they want Congress to enact. In the first week of this program, over 280,000 people cast their votes to cut the new Non-Reformed Welfare Program that cost \$2.5 billion a year.

Please visit JoeWilson.house.gov or RepublicanWhip.house.gov to see this week's new options and cast your votes.

In conclusion, God bless our troops, and we will never forget September 11th in the global war on terrorism.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 8 of rule XX, the Chair will postpone further proceedings today on motions to suspend the rules on which a recorded vote or the yeas and nays are ordered, or on which the vote incurs objection under clause 6 of rule XX.

Record votes on postponed questions will be taken after 6:30 p.m. today.

MENTAL HEALTH MONTH

Ms. MATSUI. Madam Speaker, I move to suspend the rules and agree to

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